

Public Education 101



Article VIII – Michigan Constitution

Sec. 3. Leadership and general supervision over all public education, including adult education and instructional programs in state institutions, except as to institutions of higher education granting baccalaureate degrees, is vested in a state board of education. It shall serve as the general planning and coordinating body for all public education, including higher education, and shall advise the legislature as to the financial requirements in connection therewith.

Superintendent of public instruction; appointment, powers, duties.

The state board of education shall appoint a superintendent of public instruction whose term of office shall be determined by the board. He shall be the chairman of the board without the right to vote, and shall be responsible for the execution of its policies. He shall be the principal executive officer of a state department of education which shall have powers and duties provided by law.

State board of education; members, nomination, election, term.

The state board of education shall consist of eight members who shall be nominated by party conventions and elected at large for terms of eight years as prescribed by law. The governor shall fill any vacancy by appointment for the unexpired term. The governor shall be ex-officio a member of the state board of education without the right to vote.

State Board of Education

- John C. Austin (D), President
- Michelle Fecteau (D), NASBE Delegate
- Lupe Ramos-Montigny (D)
- Kathleen N. Straus (D)
- Casandra E. Ulbrich (D), Vice President
- Daniel Varner (D), Secretary
- Eileen Lappin Weiser (R)
- Richard Zeile (R), Treasurer

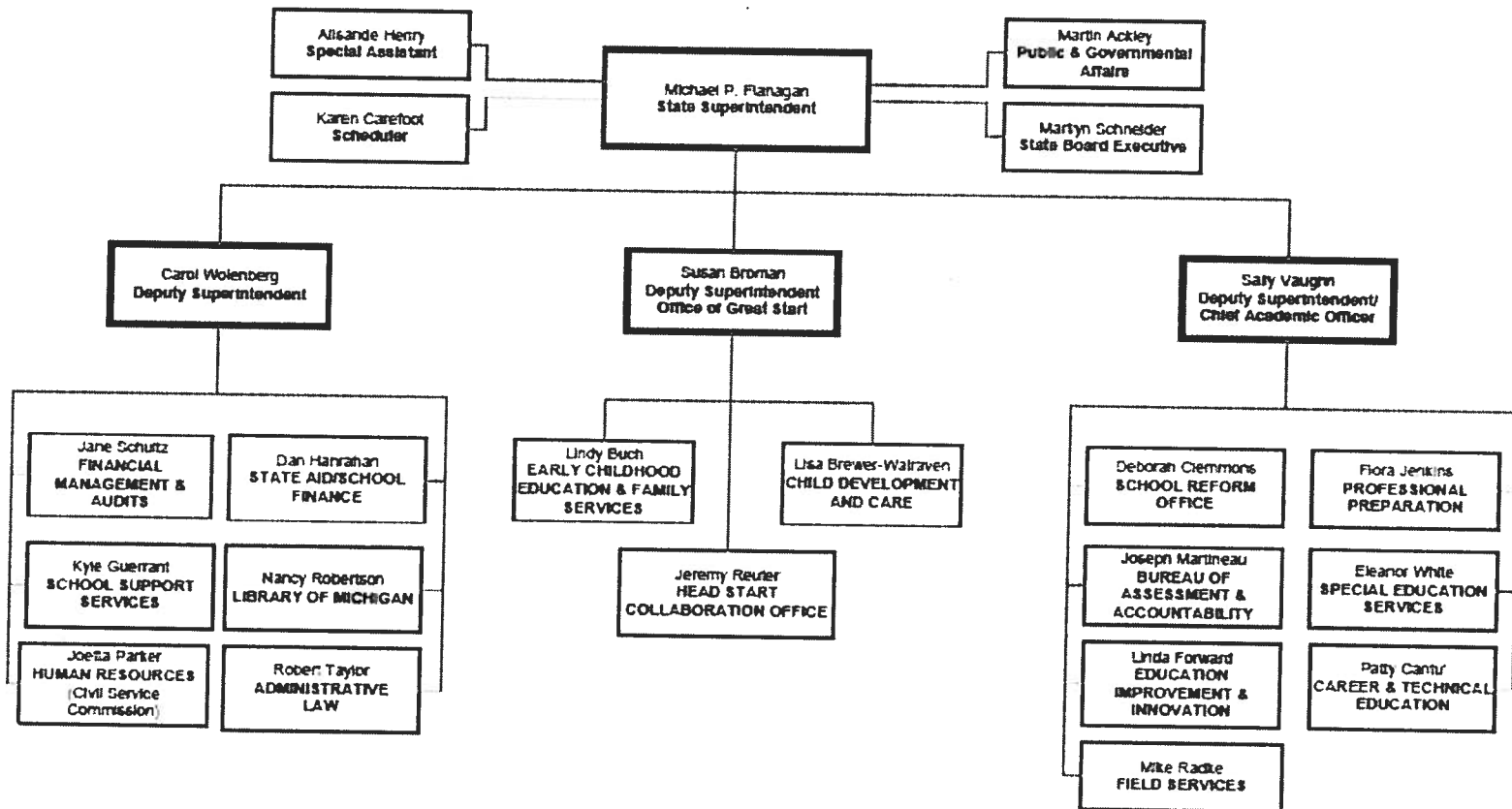
Duties include:

- ❖ Adopts policies on education issues, as guidance for local school districts.
- ❖ Approves curriculum content standards.
- ❖ Approves criteria for state and federal grants.

State Superintendent

- Michael P. Flanagan – appointed by State School Board in May 2005
- Duties include:
 - Principal executive officer of the Michigan Department of Education
 - Member of the Governor's Cabinet and the State Administrative Board
 - Non-voting Chairman of the State School Board
 - Adviser to Legislature on education policy and funding needs
- State law allocates specific authority to State Superintendent, including:
 - Granting and revoking teacher licenses
 - Approving Teacher Prep programs at colleges and universities
 - Establishing school accountability and transparency systems
 - Initiating the school Emergency Manager process
 - Approving Deficit Elimination Plans
 - Approving district boundary changes and annexations
 - Approving district consolidations
 - Approving public school academy contracts
 - Approving intermediate school district special education plans

Michigan Department of Education
Working Organizational Structure
FY 2012-13



Governor and State Legislature

- Pass and enact state education laws.
 - The Revised School Code (PA 451 of 1976)
 - The State School Aid Act of 1979 (PA 94 of 1979)
- Determine and adopt levels of state funding for schools and determine how those funds are to be allocated.
- Pass and enact laws that generate state revenues to fund Michigan's system of education.

Local School Districts

- Determine how to spend their federal, state, and local school funds (within legal limits).
- Adopt and operate a balanced budget each year.
- Own/lease and operate their school buildings and facilities.
- Establish employee salary and benefit contracts.
- Determine class and curriculum offerings for their schools and students.
- Determine length of school days and school year.
- Determine what is required to graduate from their district (meeting state law requirements).
- Determine rules and procedures for district employees and students (within legal limits).
- Adopt voter-approved revenue measures (within limits).

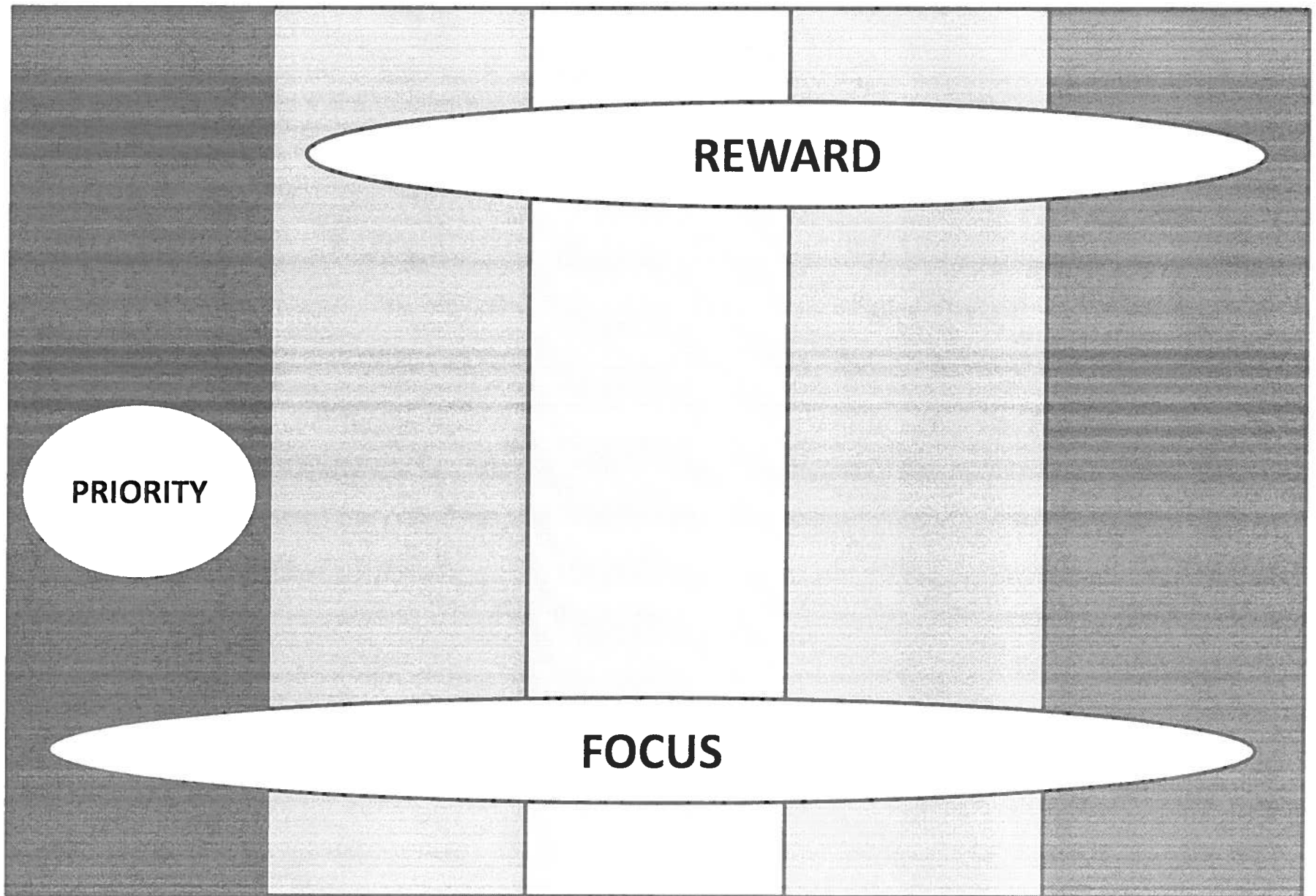
Michigan's ESEA Flexibility

- 2001: No Child Left Behind Act
 - Established Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)
 - 100% proficient by 2014
- 2011: ESEA Flexibility introduced
 - Allowed waivers to some key provisions of NCLB
 - Encouraged states to design differentiated accountability and support systems
 - 34 states currently have approved waivers

Michigan's Accountability System

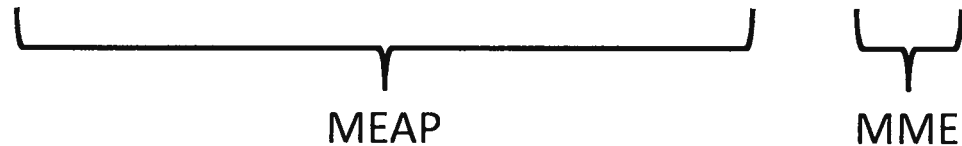
- All schools receive:
 - A ranking on the statewide Top-to-Bottom ranking.
 - Based on achievement, improvement, and achievement gap in math, reading, science and social studies.
 - Relative ranking – depends upon how other schools perform.
 - A scorecard color on the Accountability Scorecard
 - Based on meeting career and college ready proficiency targets in all five subjects and all subgroups.
 - Based on a criterion of proficiency targets.
- Some schools receive an additional designation:
 - Priority School
 - Bottom 5% of schools in the state
 - Focus School
 - 10% of schools in the state with the largest achievement gaps
 - Reward School
 - Top 5% of schools in the state
 - High improvement Schools
 - Beating the Odds

Michigan's Differentiated Accountability System



Current Assessments

Content Area	Grade												
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Mathematics				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Reading				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Writing					✓			✓				✓	
Science						✓			✓			✓	
Social Studies							✓			✓		✓	



- MEAP - (Michigan Educational Assessment Program) grades 3-9 based on Michigan Curriculum Framework
- MME - (Michigan Merit Exam) grade 11 (and eligible students in grade 12) based on Michigan high school core content expectations – the ACT plus Work Readiness and wraparound

Common Core State Standards

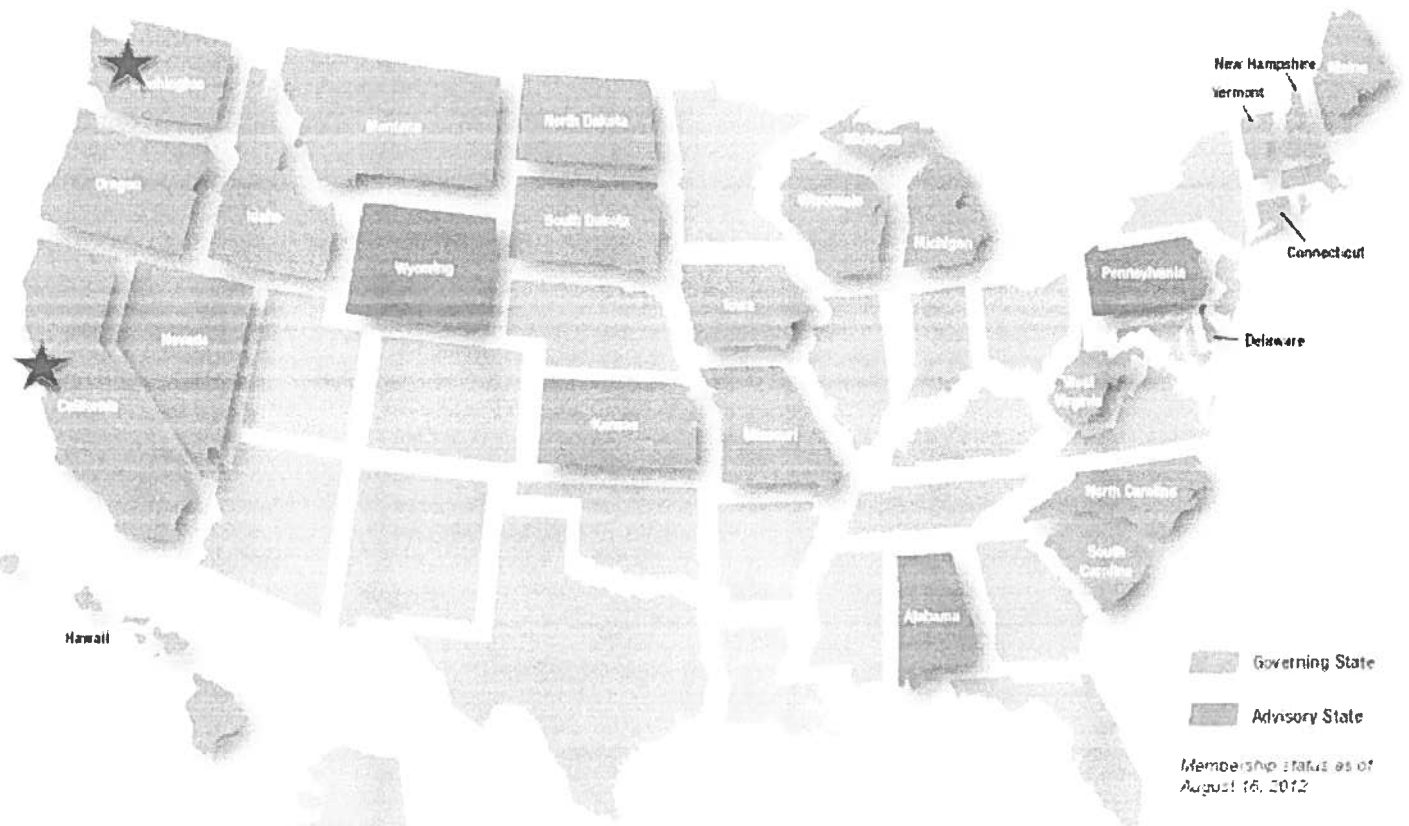
- Define the knowledge and skills students need for college and career
- Developed voluntarily and cooperatively by states; more than 40 states have adopted
- Provide clear, consistent standards in English language arts/literacy and mathematics



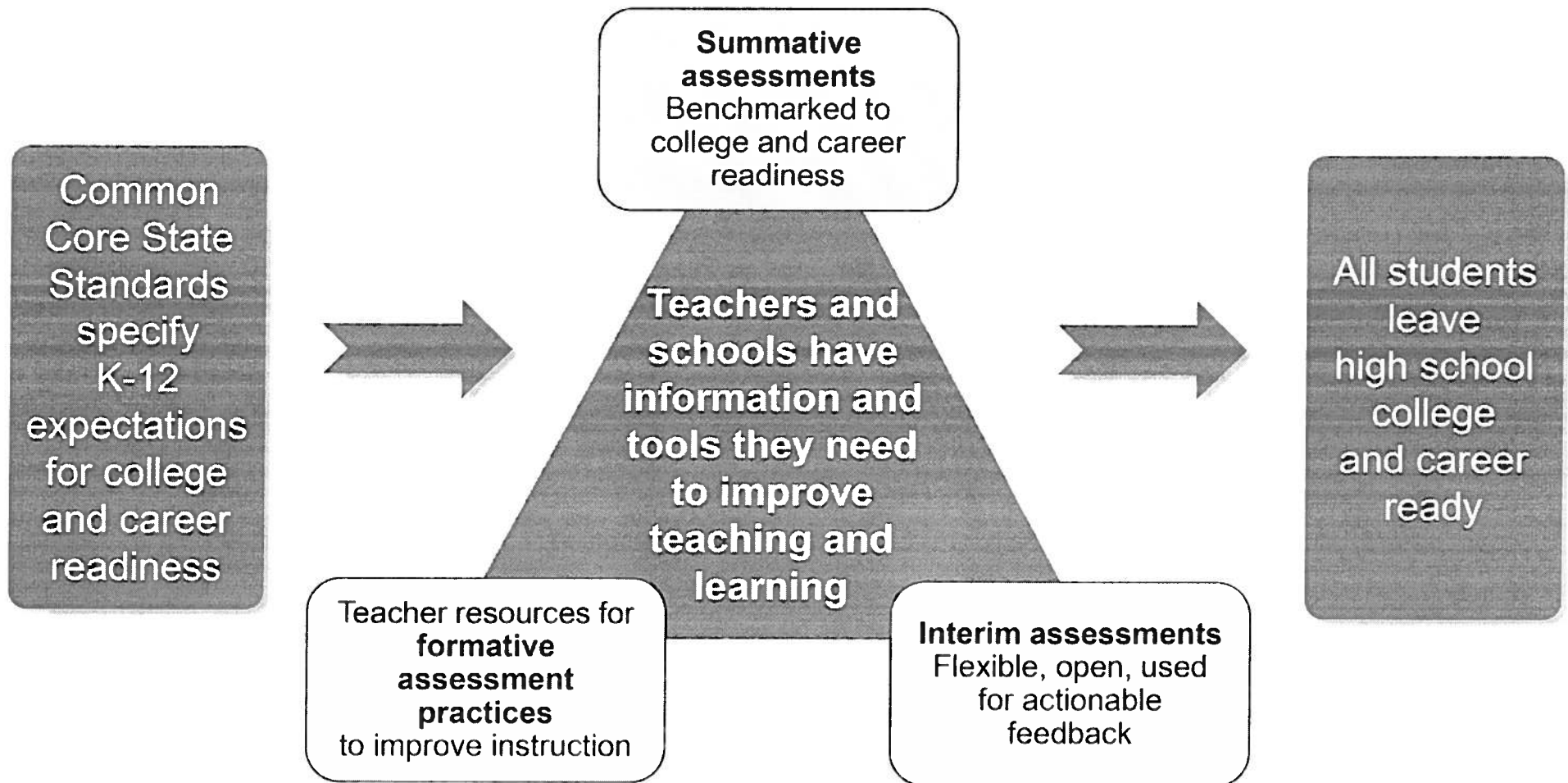
Source: www.corestandards.org

A National Consortium of States

- 25 states representing 40% of K-12 students
- 21 governing, 4 advisory states
- Washington state is fiscal agent
- WestEd provides project management services



A Balanced Assessment System



Michigan School Curriculum and Standards

- Local school districts determine classroom materials and delivery of instruction.
- For grades K-12, standards and grade-level content expectations are approved by the State Board of Education and form the Model Core Curriculum.
 - 380.1278 gives State Board authority to provide a Model Core Curriculum.
 - For mathematics and English language arts, the State Board approved the Common Core standards in 2010.
- The Michigan Merit Curriculum is a set of high school graduation requirements.
 - Integration of coursework into other subjects including career technical classes. (380.1278a)
 - Personal Curriculum (380.1278b)

Michigan Merit Curriculum High School Graduation Requirements

MATHEMATICS - 4 Credits

Algebra I
Algebra II

Geometry
One math course in final year of high school

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS - 4 Credits

English Language Arts 9
English Language Arts 10

English Language Arts 11
English Language Arts 12

SCIENCE - 3 Credits

Biology
Physics or Chemistry

One additional science credit

SOCIAL STUDIES - 3 Credits

.5 credit in Civics
U.S. History and Geography

.5 credit in Economics
World History and Geography

PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH - 1 Credit

VISUAL, PERFORMING AND APPLIED ARTS - 1 Credit

ONLINE LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Course, Learning or Integrated Learning Experience

LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH - 2 Credits

In grades 9-12; OR an equivalent learning experience in grades K-12 effective for students entering third grade in 2006 (Class 2016)

Teacher Certification

- Starting in Sept. 2013, teachers will have more flexibility to renew or advance certification:
 - 6 semester credit hours in a planned program – OR –
 - 180 clock hours of state continuing education (SCE) – OR –
 - Annual district-provided professional development – OR –
 - Combination thereof (30 clock hours = 1 credit hour)
- Advanced Professional Certificate
- Alternative routes for both educators and administrators



Michigan's 24/7 Library

Full Text
Magazines and Newspapers

Tests and Tutorials
(GED, ACT, Careers, etc.)

Job and Career Accelerator

MeL Subject Gateways

Books and Reading

Business and Jobs

Genealogy

Health and Wellness

Kids

Legal

Reference Desk

Teens



MeL Databases

Read full text articles from magazines and newspapers; find current reference sources; use advanced search functions

MeL Cat

Order books, audio books, music, movies and other materials delivered to your participating library

M.O.R.E.

Michigan Online Resources for Educators: Find lesson plans and curriculum aids searchable by subject or state standard

Featured Resources

Includes info on broadband activities in Michigan and other evolving topics of statewide and national interest

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Homepage
<http://mel.org>

- * Reference Research Center
 - * Full time library staff will conduct research for state employees
- * RRC:
 - * Open 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday
 - * 517/373-1300 (p) and 517/373-3381 (f)
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 - * www.mli.gov/research

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* Library Services for State Employees

Additional Resources

- Michigan State Board of Education: www.mi.gov/sbe
- Michigan Department of Education: www.mi.gov/mde
- Top-to-Bottom: www.mi.gov/ttb
- Priority Schools: www.mi.gov/priorityschools
- Focus Schools: www.mi.gov/focusschools
- Reward Schools: www.mi.gov/rewardschools
- Scorecard: www.mi.gov/schoolreportcard
- Accountability: www.mi.gov/baa-accountability
- Assessment: www.mi.gov/baa
- Common Core: www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140--232021--RSS,00.html
- Michigan Merit Exam: www.mi.gov/mme
- Curriculum and Standards: www.michigan.gov/mde/0,1607,7-140-28753---,00.html
- Teacher Certification: www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-6530_5683_14795---,00.html